

**REMARKS**

Claims 2-3 and 7 are amended. Claims 1, 5-6 and 8-14 are cancelled. Claims 2-4 and 7 remain in the case.

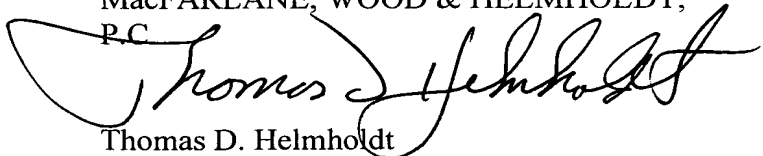
The allowability of claim 7 in the Office Action dated February 24, 2005 is noted. Claim 7 has now been amended to be rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of base claim 1 and intervening claims 5 and 7. Claims 2 and 3 have been amended to depend on now allowable claim 7. Claim 4 remains dependent on claim 3.

It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment traverses and overcomes all of the Examiner's objections and rejections to the application as originally filed. It is further submitted that this Amendment has antecedent basis in the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims and drawings, and that this Amendment does not add any new subject matter to the application. Reconsideration of the application as amended is requested. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment places the application in suitable condition for allowance; notice of which is requested.

If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be expedited by way of an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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